MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Shri Matilal Sarkar. ...(*Interruptions*)... Nothing will go on record. ...(*Interruptions*)... **श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज**...(व्यवधान)...

श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज (मध्य प्रदेश): सर, कैसे बोलूं। मंत्री जी को सुनाई नहीं देगा। ...(व्यवधान)... वे जवाब कैसे देंगे?...(व्यवधान)...

श्री उपसभापति: आप बोलिए। मंत्री जी रिप्लाई करेंगे। ...(व्यवधान)...

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श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज (मध्य प्रदेश): उपसभापति जी, मंत्री महोदय जो यह बिल लाए हैं। ...(व्यवधान)... मिज़ोरम विश्वविद्यालय (संशोधन) विधेयक, 2007 संशोधन करने के लिए लाया गया है। यह केवल एक पंक्ति का संशोधन है। ...(व्यवधान)... इसके प्रभाव बहुत दूरगामी हैं। ...(व्यवधान)... इस प्रस्ताव के कारण मंत्री जी यह प्रस्तावित कर रहे हैं कि मिज़ोरम के राज्यपाल को ...(व्यवधान)... कुलाधिसचिव बना दिया जाए। ...(व्यवधान)... उपसभापति महोदय, मैंने उद्देश्यों और कारणों को पढ़ा है। जो तीन बातें मंत्री जी ने कहीं हैं। पहली बात यह है कि अन्य कई केन्द्रीय विश्वविद्यालयों में उन्होंने ऐसा प्रावधान किया है। मैं उनसे जानना चाहती हूं कि वे कौन सी ऐसी सेन्ट्रल यूनिवर्सिटीज हैं, केन्द्रीय विश्वविद्यालय हैं, जहां पर यह व्यवस्था की गयी है? दूसरा, मैं यह कहना चाहूंगी कि आमतौर पर राज्यपाल यूनिवर्सिटीज के चांसलर होते हैं, विश्वविद्यालयों के कुलाधिपति होते हैं। उन्हें प्रमुख कुलाधिसचिव बनाना उनके पद और प्रतिष्ठा के अनुकूल नहीं होगा। इससे विश्वविद्यालयों के कार्य पर भी बुरा प्रभाव पड़ेगा क्योंकि चांसलर का पद बड़ा होता है लेकिन प्रमुख कुलाधिसचिव का पद उनके पद और प्रतिष्ठा के अनुरूप नहीं होता है। जब मैंने उद्देश्यों और कारणों में यह देखा कि मंत्री जी का यह मानना है कि प्रत्यक्ष रूप से तो उनका कोई हस्तक्षेप यूनिवर्सिटी में नहीं होगा लेकिन एक अनुभवी व्यक्ति का ...(व्यवधान)... तो लाभ यूनिवर्सिटी को मिलना चाहिए। चांसलर के नाते भी वे लाभ दे सकते हैं और बाकी जगह भी देते हैं लेकिन चीफ ...(व्यवधान)... बनाकर उनके पद को छोटा करना, यूनिवर्सिटी में उनकी दखलअंदाजी करना ...(व्यवधान)... यह सही नहीं होगा। यह जो संशोधन आया है, यह बहुत अटपटा लगता है इसलिए या तो मंत्री जी मेरी इन तीनों बातों पर जवाब देकर मुझे संतुष्ट करें वरना मैं इस संशोधन का विरोध करती हूं और कहना चाहती हूं कि यह संशोधन पारित नहीं होना चाहिए। यही बात कहकर मैं अपनी बात समाप्त करती हूं। धन्यवाद।

SHRI MATILAL SARKAR (West Bengal): Sir, first of all, I support the Mizoram University (Amendment) Bill, 2007. Sir, ...(*Interruptions*)... I would like to give some of my views. The first question is that the Governor of the State should have been made the Chancellor of the University.

...*(Interruptions)*... But without making him the Chancellor, the post of Chief Rector has been given to him. It would have been better if the hon. Minister had then provided the post of Chancellor to the Governor ...*(Interruptions)*. Even then, Sir, by incorporating the provision of Chief Rector, the Government is giving an opportunity to the State Government through the Governor to get involved in the matters of the University. I thank the Government and the hon. Minister for making this provision. In this connection, I would like to highlight some of the points. The Mizoram University, the Tripura University, the University in Arunachal Pradesh and University in Manipur—these are the Universities that have been established and developed by the respective State Governments. Mere transfer of the responsibility from the State Government to the Central Government does not serve the interests of the State Government. Though the Central Government are going to take over the University, the State Government should be given due honour because they have established the University and they have given funds for developing the University. So, the right of the State Government should be kept intact in the matter of development and other related issues of the University.

My second point is that in the last session, the Central Government decided to take over three Universities. These Universities were—Tripura University, University in Arunachal Pradesh and the University in Sikkim. The Central Government has begun the process to take over the University in Arunachal Pradesh. But, the Government has yet to start the process of taking over the University of Tripura. Conversion of Tripura University into a Central University is getting delayed. I would like to ask the hon. Minister as to when the process will start. Then, I would like to draw the attention of the hon. Minister towards the news items appearing in the newspapers that such and such person will be appointed as the Vice-Chancellor of the University. This is an important post for the University. I urge upon the Central Government to take the State Government into confidence and some consensus should be arrived at before appointing any person as the Vice-Chancellor of the University. Sir, finally, I would like to again say that as the Central Government decides to take over any University, the process of conversion of the State University into the Central University should take place immediately because already the academic session has come to an end and the students are in a fix and the State Governments also cannot understand as to what to do. With these words, I conclude.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Shri Lalhming Liana ...(Interruptions). Why do you shout? ...(Interruptions)... What can I do if you shout? ...(Interruptions)... Shri Lalhming Liana.

SHRI LALHMING LIANA (Mizoram): Mr. Deputy Chairman, Sir, the Mizoram University was established on 2nd July, 2001. ...*(Interruptions)*... The establishment of the University was jubilantly welcomed by the people of Mizoram as it was one of the steps taken by the Government of India in the implementation of Mizoram Accord signed between Mr. Laldenga and the Government of India in the year 1986. ...*(Interruptions)*... Sir, I would like to say that this was most successful accord ever signed by the Government of India ...*(Interruptions)*... While speaking about the implementation of the Peace Accord, I would like to remind the Government of India that while the MNF is doing everything to implement the Peace Accord on their part, the Central Government is very slow towards implementation of the Peace Accord. ...*(Interruptions)*... Sir, the Mizoram University was also established after 15 years of signing of the Accord, and, Sir, I would like to remind the Government that among other things, one important thing of establishment of separate High Court for Mizoram still remains to be done on the part of the Government. I would like to request the Government to look into this. ...*(Interruptions)*... Sir, the Mizoram University, being very young and at its infant stage, needs a special care, and, we hopes the Central Government and the University Grants Commission will take special care to make it a Centre of Excellance in the North East. ...*(Interruptions)*...

Sir, I would also like to say something about the infrastructure development, which is quite inadequate. ...*(Interruptions)*... The buildings are also not up to the standard. Even the development of the campus, the hostels for boys and girls is not adequate. All these things need to be developed. ...*(Interruptions)*... But, anyway, what I would like to say is that this university is running 29 post-graduate and 19 under-graduate departments. And, Sir, from the next academic session starting from July, the University is planning to run 27 post-graduate departments. The Government of India has also sanctioned Rs. 76 crores during the Tenth Plan. ...*(Interruptions)*...

But, Sir, sanctioned funds have not yet been released. The new academic session is going to start in a very short period. ...*(Interruptions)*... It will be

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very difficult on the part of the University to get good teachers, to get good faculty members to take up the programmes. ...*(Interruptions)*... So, I would like to request the Government, as well as, the University Grants Commission to release the funds which are necessary for the recruitment of new faculties and for the establishment of two new departments, that is, the School of Management and the School of Technology and Engineering. ...*(Interruptions)*... Otherwise, there will be problems in starting these two new departments and it will be ...*(Interruptions)*...

Sir, one aspect, which I would like to point out, which is very important, is the appointment of Visitor's nominee. The Visitor is the President of India. ...*(Interruptions)*... So, he is to appoint his representative. ...*(Interruptions)*... Sir, the last person who has been appointed and Visitors nominee is the person who is Director of Centre for Women ...*(Interruptions)*... who is basically a reader only, not even a professor. ...*(Interruptions)*... Sir, while we are expecting the Government to take care of the needs of the Mizoram University, we are raising our eyebros with this appointment ...*(Interruptions)*... Once again, we request you to see this matter. With regard to the Bill itself, it has been stated in the Statement of Objects and Reasons that ...*(Interruptions)*... But, anyhow, I do support the Bill. Thank you.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): Thank you, Sir. At the outset, I would like to thank all my colleagues for participating in this debate. ...*(Interruptions)*... Sir, in the States where the Central Universities are set up, the Governor of the State where the University is set up, is the Chief Rector of the University. ...*(Interruptions)*... But the Governor of Mizoram is not the Chief Rector of the Mizoram University and that is the reason why this amendment has been brought forward. ...*(Interruptions)*... Sir, Sushmaji in her question had asked if there were any other University wherein the Governor was the Chief Rector ...*(Interruptions)*... I would like to say that the Aligarh Muslim University, University of Delhi, Visva Bharati, North Eastern Hill University, University of Hyderabad, Pondicherry University, Assam University, Nagaland University, University of Allahabad and Manipur University are the Universities where Governor is the Chief Rector of the University. ...*(Interruptions)*... The next question that was

posed by her was, 'why Rector and why not the Chancellor'. Sir, coming to her question, I would like to state that whereas the Chief Rector and Visitor are not officers of the University, the Chancellor is an officer of the University. And, if the Governor was to be made the Chancellor, he is then answerable to many people, including the Parliament ...*(Interruptions)*... So, to avoid this kind of embarrassment, he would be nominated to be the Chief Rector of the University. Coming to the question that has been posed by my colleague from Mizoram, the process of appointment of Tripura and Sikkim Universities has now been set in motion. ...*(Interruptions)*... Very shortly, the Government is likely to appoint the first Vice-Chancellor in these Universities and also to notify the date of commencement of these Acts. ...*(Interruptions)*... To another query, I would like to say that the Central Government, through the UGC, is providing adequate funds to all the Central Universities, especially, to the Mizoram University. The allocation during the Eleventh Plan period is likely to be increased substantially. And, the University has recently been sanctioned Schools of Technology and Management. ...*(Interruptions)*... It is expected that from the Academic year 2007-08, these schools would become operational. Having answered all the queries that have been raised by my colleagues, I now thank everybody for having participated in this discussion on the Bill.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The question is:

"That a Bill to amend the Mizoram University Act, 2000, be taken into consideration."

The motion was adopted.

...(Interruptions)...

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: We shall now take up clause-by-clause consideration of the Bill.

Clause 2 was added to the Bill.

Clause 1, the Enacting Formula and the Title were added to the Bill.

...(Interruptions)...

SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI: Sir, I move:

"That the Bill be passed."

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

...(Interruptions)...

The Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2007

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Now, we shall take up the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2007. *...(Interruptions)...* Shri Priyaranjan Dasmunsi. *(Interruptions)*

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): Sir, I move:

"That a Bill further to amend the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995, as passed by Lok Sabha, be taken into consideration."

...(Interruptions)...

Sir, this is a simple Bill only pertaining to the amendment of one clause giving a direction to the Cable Network operators to provide the Lok Sabha channel which is recently introduced...*(Interruptions)*...

The question was proposed.

...(Interruptions)...

श्री उपसभापति: यह क्या हो रहा है ...(व्यवधान)... I will not allow this. *(Interruptions)* The House will go on. *(Interruptions)*

SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU (Karnataka): Sir, first the House should be in order. *(Interruptions)*

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I agree, but it is audible. *(Interruptions)*

SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU: Sir, it is not the question of either the DMK or the AIADMK. *(Interruptions)* The House should be in order and then only you can pass the Bill. *(Interruptions)* I am very sorry...*(Interruptions)*...

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: There is a rule. *(Interruptions)* Because everyday Members will take ... *(Interruptions)*... The legislations must be passed. *(Interruptions)* कलराज जी, आप बोलिए ...(व्यवधान)...